Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 19 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 20 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 18 Aug 2023 at 17:34 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of any rain on Saturday afternoon. High for showery weather from Sunday onwards.

Headline for Saturday 19 Aug 2023: Cloudy and windy with rain at times

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 19 Aug 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Medium Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
>95%	>95%	40%	40%	40%	60%	40%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 19 Aug 2023

Weather: Wet and windy in the early hours with a band of heavy rain extending northwards for a time. Then a cloudy day with rain at times but some drier spells across southern Lochaber in the morning. Drier weather will then spread north from mid to late afternoon onwards although not drying up across southern Lochaber until mid-evening

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Little chance until evening

Low Cloud and visibility: Poor in extensive low cloud down to 500 to 800 metres for most of the day although this tending to lift and break somewhat from the south from early evening

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Forecast for Saturday 19 Aug 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	57/73 E	55/71 E	51/66 SE	49/62 SE	47/60 SE	44/57 S	45/58 S	41/52 S	36/47 S
900	45/61 SE	42/57 E	37/51 SE	35/48 SE	34/46 SE	32/45 S	32/44 S	29/40 SW	27/37 S
600	48/60 E	50/63 E	43/56 E	37/49 SE	38/51 SE	36/47 S	37/48 S	34/44 S	31/41 S
300	20/33 E	26/41 E	24/39 E	23/35 SE	25/39 SE	21/34 S	21/34 S	19/31 S	16/27 S
Glen	18/32 NE	12/27 NE	12/28 E	15/31 SE	17/35 SE	15/31 S	16/33 S	14/29 S	12/26 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	7/-0	8/1	8/2	9/3	9/3	9/4	9/3	8/2	7/2
900	10/4	10/5	11/6	12/7	12/7	12/7	11/7	10/6	10/6
600	12/6	14/7	14/8	14/8	14/9	14/8	13/8	12/8	12/8
300	14/11	15/10	16/11	16/12	17/12	16/12	15/12	14/11	14/11
Glen	17/13	16/14	17/15	19/16	19/16	18/15	17/14	16/14	16/14
Freezing Level*	3500m	3600m	2900m	3000m	3000m	3100m	2900m	2700m	2500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Be prepared for summit severe gales leading to slow progress and drenching conditions in rain. Wind speeds may reach 80 mph across the higher tops in the early hours. Conditions underfoot will be wet and burns may be in spate.

Forecast for Sunday 20 Aug 2023

Weather: Variable amounts of cloud and some sunny intervals. A few passing showers through the day, these mainly across the north of the area. Remaining windy on the tops.

Maximum wind: Average speeds of 30 mph with gusts to 40 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%

Low Cloud and visibility: Generally very good visibility with patchy cloud above 800 metres

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 11 rising to 19 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 12 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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